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LINDLEY M. FERRIS & SON,
POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.

AGRIC. MUSEUM

THE "WALTER" GRAPE.

THE "WALTER" AS A TABLE GRAPE.

1864—Newburgh Bay Horticultural Society—First Premium for quality.

1866—First Premium, quality ruling, at the great Exhibition of the Lake Shore Grape Growers' Association at Cleveland.

1869—Lake Shore Grape Growers' Association, Erie, Pa.—First Premium for the best loaded arm, also best table grape.

1869—Canandaigua, N. Y., State Grape Growers' Association—First Premium for the best loaded arm, and also for the best table grape.

1869—Hammondsport, N. Y.,—First Premium for best table grape and best loaded arm.

THE "WALTER" AS A RAISIN GRAPE.

The "Walter" is the only American grape that will make a raisin.

The abundant sugar of the "Walter" will so preserve it that it will make a good raisin by simple drying in a warm location. After drying it adheres well to the stem.

Extract from a Letter from Hon. John Stanton Gould, Prof. of Agriculture at the Cornell University.

"The *raisins* came in good order to-day, and I am indeed greatly obliged for them. They have been greatly admired by all; and universal surprise has been expressed at seeing what no one ever expected to see—a real American *raisin*. The flavor is very good."

Ithaca, N. Y., May 12th, 1871.

From the Am. Agriculturist of July, 1871.

In the May Agriculturist we made the statement that raisins could not be made from any American grape. This must be qualified so far as the "Walter" grape is concerned, as Messrs. L. M. Ferris & Son, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., send us some dried berries of the "Walter" which, though small, are really raisins. The specimens sent were from inferior fruit, dried without any especial care, and give encouragement to try what can be done with selected fruit cured in the best manner.

THE "WALTER" AS A WINE GRAPE.

Hammondsport, Feb. 18, 1871.

Messrs. L. M. Ferris & Son, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.:

The "Walter" grapes you sent me last fall arrived, but in very bad order. We expressed from them about 12 galls. juice, which I racked off a few days ago, and do not hesitate to say that it is the best wine I ever produced from any one variety of American grapes. I have sampled it with several gentlemen, good judges of wine, and all of them have given it the same verdict. I desire the privilege of making a portion of it into sparkling wine, and believe it will make a wine of superior excellence.

Yours, respectfully, J. D. MASSON,
Supt. Pleasant Valley Wine Co.

We, the undersigned convened at the office of the Pleasant Valley Wine Company, this 14th day of March, 1871, for the purpose of testing the wine of the Walter Grape, take pleasure in saying, after the most careful tasting of this wine, and a comparison of its qualities with the wine of the Diana, Delaware, Catawba and Iona of the same vintage, and made in like manner, that the Walter is a Wine of very decided and high character, superior to the Diana, Delaware or Catawba, and fully equal as a still dry wine with the Iona. And we would take this occasion for saying that we believe the interest of wine and wine culture in this country demands the more extensive cultivation of this grape and the Iona, and that grape growers will find the greatest assurance of profitable success in substituting as soon as practicable these for other inferior kinds. We wish to add further, that the disseminators of the more improved kinds of grapes, have already materially aided American Wine Makers in the attainment of their present advanced position, and that it is to them they confidently look for co-operation in their future advancements.

Hammondsport, N. Y., March 14, 1871.

C. D. CHAMPLIN, Secretary and Treas. P. V. W. Co.
J. D. MASSON, Superin'dt Pleasant V. Wine Co.
JULES MASSON, Superin'dt Pleasant V. Wine Co.
T. M. YOUNGLOVE, Direct. Pleasant V. Wine Co.
DELOS ROSE, Director P. Valley Wine Company.
E. VANKEUREN.
S. S. FAIRCHILD.
D. M. HILDRETH, Pres't Urbana Wine Co.
A. J. SWITZER, Sup't Urbana Wine Company.
A. HADDEN.
D. S. WAGENER.
A. L. UNDERHILL.
G. H. WHEELER.
J. LARROWE, Pres't Seneca Lake Grape and Wine Company.
E. H. BURGESS.

THE "WALTER" AS A SUCCESSFUL GRAPE.

Extracts from the Report of the Committee on Grapes, at Hammondsport, Oct. 12th and 13th, 1870.

HON. MARSHALL P. WILDER,
CHARLES DOWNING,
HON. JOHN STANTON GOULD,
DR. J. A. WARDER,
} Committee.

(The Walter marked 105 deg. on the must scale.)

"The cultivation of the Walter has been greatly extended during the past year, and all accounts concur in showing that it is a hardy and vigorous grower. * * * We can only say at present that it has not yet been known to suffer from mildew and rot as Ionas and Delawares have suffered in former years.—So far the Walter, with respect to sugar and acid, has been singularly uniform: it has been neither depressed by adverse influences or elevated by favorable ones; it appears the least likely to fluctuate in its qualities, and most likely to remain true to one standard of excellence through all the vicissitudes of seasons of any grape now known to the vineyardist. * * * Its skin is absolutely tasteless. This is a very great advantage. * * * Its flavor is very rich and delicious. * * * It ripens at the centre as soon as at the circumference. * * * With respect to sugar and acid the Walter has uniformly stood above the Iona. * * * So far as has been tried the Walter has proved unusually hardy, vigorous, and prolific."

JOHN STANTON GOULD, Sec'y.

PRICE LIST.

Hardy Grapes.

"WALTER."	EACH.	PER DOZ.	PER 100.	PER 1,000.
No. 1,—one y'r old,	$0 70	$6 00	$35 00	$280 00
No. 2,— " " "	50	4 00	25 00	200 00
No. 3,— " " "	40	3 00	18 00	150 00
EXTRA,	85	8 00	45 00	
No. 1,—2 y'rs old,	1 00	10 00	50 00	450 00
No. 2,—" " "	85	8 00	35 00	300 00

"WALTER" GRAPE EYES, ... $5 00 per 100; $40 00 per 1,000.

	EACH.	PER DOZ.	PER 100.	
WHITE.—Rebecca and Allen's Hybrid,	$0 30	$3 00	$18 00	
Martha, (White Concord,) 1 y'r,	30	3 00	20 00	
" " " 2 y'rs,	50	5 00	25 00	
Croton, (a very superior grape,)	1 50	15 00		
Weehawken,	30	3 00	20 00	
RED.—Walter. (See prices above.)				
Delaware, 1 y'r,	30	2 50	12 00	
" 2 y's,	40	3 00	15 00	
Iona and Diana, 1 y'r,	30	2 00	8 00	
" " " 2 y'rs,	40	2 50	10 00	
Salem and Rogers No. 15, (Agawam,)	30	3 00	15 00	
Rogers No. 3 and 9,	30	3 00	15 00	PER 1,000.
BLACK.—Eumelan, No 1, one y'r,	50	5 00	30 00	$250 00
" No. 2, " "	40	3 50	20 00	180 00
" No. 1, 2 y'rs,	75	6 50	40 00	350 00
" No. 2, " "	60	5 00	30 00	250 00
Israella, Rogers' Nos. 4, 19 and 33,	30	3 00	15 00	
Senasqua, (a very fine table grape,)	1 50	15 00		
2 and 3 y'rs Concord, Clinton and Hartford,	50	3 00	10 00	70 00
One y'r Concord, Clinton, and Hartford,	30	2 00	6 00	50 00

Small Fruits.

CURRANTS.	EACH.	PER DOZ.	PER 100.	PER M.
La Versaillais and Cherry,—1 y'r,	$0 20	$1 25	$6 00	$45 00
" " " " 2 y'rs,	25	1 75	8 00	60 00
White Grape,—2 y'rs,	20	1 50	8 00	
White Clinton,—2 y'rs,	20	1 50	8 00	
GOOSEBERRIES.				
Houghton Seedling,—1 y'r,	20	1 25	6 00	50 00
" " 2 y'rs,	25	1 75	7 00	60 00
Downing " 1 y'r,	20	1 50	9 00	65 00
" " 2 y'rs,	25	2 00	10 00	70 00

STRAWBERRIES.

Wilson, Jucunda, Barnes Mammoth, Downing Seedling, Durand Seedling, Green Prolific, and Triomphe de Gand, at 75 cts. per 100, $6 00 per 1,000. $1 00 per 100 sent by mail, postpaid.

RASPBERRIES.

Clarke,	$4 00 per 100—30 00 per 1,000.
Davison's Thornless Blackcap,	4 00 " " 30 00 " "
Miami,	4 00 " "
Doolittle,	4 00 " " 30 00 " "

POTATOES—Peerless	75c Peck.	$2 00 Bu.	$4 50 Bbl.
Early Rose,	50c "	1 50 "	3 00 "

Fruit Trees.	EACH.	DOZ.	100	1,000
APPLES—Extra, 5 to 7 ft.	30c		22 00	
" 5 to 6 ft.			20 00	175 00
" Siberian Crab, 5 to 6 ft.	40		22 00	
PEARS—Standard, extra size,	1 00		45 00	
" " 1st selection, 5 to 6 ft.	70		40 00	350 00
" Dwarf, 2 years old, fine,	40	3 50	20 00	
CHERRIES—Extra,	70		30 00	
" 1st selection,			25 00	
PLUMS—1st selection	60		30 00	
" 2d "			25 00	
PEACHES—1st selection	25		12 00	95 00
" 2d "			10 00	75 00
ORANGE QUINCES—1st selection	50	5 00	35 00	
" " 2d "	40	4 00	30 00	
Ornamental Deciduous Trees.				
MAPLE—Norway, 1st selection, 10 to 12 ft., fine	1 00		65 00	
" " 2d " 8 to 10 ft.	50		30 00	250 00
" Sugar, extra fine, 10 to 15 ft.	1 00		65 00	
ELM—American,	1 00			
ASH—Black	50			
LINDEN—Am., and Gold-barked, 8 to 15 ft.	1 00	8 00	60 00	
BEECH—English, 8 to 10 ft.	75	6 00	50 00	
" Purple-leaved, 2 to 3 ft.	75	9 00		
" " " 3 to 4 ft.	1 50	12 00		
HORSE-CHESNUT—1 to 2 ft.	25	2 50		
" " 8 to 10 ft.	75	6 00		
WILLOW—Common Weeping	25	2 50	16 00	
" New Am. Weeping and Rosemary,	1 00	9 00		
" Kilmarnock,	1 00	9 00		
Evergreens.				
ARBORVITÆ—American, 15 to 20 in., transp,			12 00	90 00
" " 2 to 3 ft.			18 00	160 00
" " 4 to 5 ft.	40		30 00	200 00
" Siberian, 3 to 4 ft.	1 00	8 00		
" " 2 ft	50	5 00	40 00	
" Hovey's Golden, 2 ft.	50	6 00	40 00	
SPRUCE—Hemlock, 2 to 3 ft.	40		22 00	180 00
" " 3 to 4 ft.	60		40 00	250 00
" Norway, 3 to 4 ft.	1 00	9 00	60 00	
" " 4 to 5 ft.	1 25	12 00	70 00	
" " very fine and large, 12 to 18 ft., to be taken up with ball of earth and delivered at any place within 6 miles of Nurseries, $10 to	20 00			
PINE—Austrian, 2 to 3 ft	50	3 50	30 00	
" Scotch, 2 to 3 ft	50	3 50	30 00	
" White, 2 to 3 ft	50	3 50	25 00	
IRISH JUNIPER—18 to 20 in	50	2 00	12 00	
" " 3 to 5 ft., very handsome, 75a	1 50	12 00	60 00	
MAHONIA AQUIFOLIA—2 ft	50	4 00		

Orders from unknown parties will not be shipped without pre-payment, or satisfactory reference.

There will be no charge for delivery to the Express, depot or boat. After such delivery the purchaser must assume all responsibility.

Charges will be made for packing just to cover the cost of materials used. No charge made for packing packages to go by mail.

All packages weighing four pounds or less can be sent by mail at the rate of two cents for every four ounces.

Agents wanted at a liberal commission. They are requested to give responsible reference.

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